

"THIS IS HOME"

MEDGAR EVERS, MISSISSIPPI & THE MOVEMENT



"This is Home: Medgar Evers, Mississippi and the Movement," an exhibit detailing the life of one of Mississippi's prominent Civil Rights activists, Medgar Wiley Evers, opened Monday, September 29, 2014 at East Central Community College. An opening reception with approximately 100 attendees was held on September 29, 2014 from 3:00—5:00 p.m. in the Mamie Ethel Burton Memorial Library. Refreshments were provided by the college's Culinary Arts Technology students under the instruction of Mr. Barry Karrh.

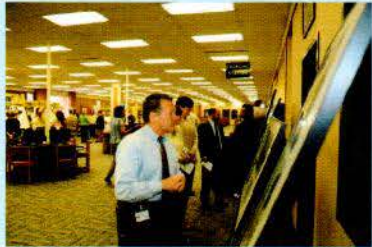
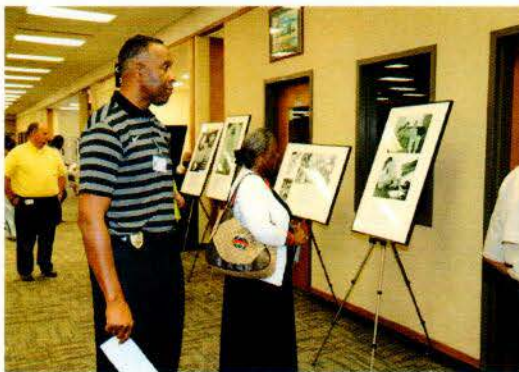


The collection was on display through Friday, November 21, 2014. The event was sponsored by the following organizations: Mississippi Department of Archives and History, the Foundation for Mississippi History, and the Medgar and Myrlie Evers Collection, with the special permissions of

Myrlie Evers and Reena Evers-Everette.

Local and state newspapers promoted the event. Leslie Hughes and Dr. Stacey Hollingsworth appeared on Good Morning Meridian on Tuesday, October 21, 2014 to promote the exhibit.

Local students from area high schools, NFusionX, and different classes from East Central Community College attended the exhibit. Some of the English classes were creative and had their students view the exhibit and write an essay. There were 286 signatures in the guests book, but I know that many more came through that did not sign.



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Oct 12

to Stacey, me, Bubby

Good afternoon Stacey and Leslie,
Bubby has reserved a slot on Good Morning Meridian for Tuesday, October 21, 2014 to discuss the exhibit. Please plan to attend the broadcast and promote the exhibit and the college. Thanks in advance.
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**President Billy W. Stewart and the EMCC Board of Trustees
cordially invite you to the exhibit**

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SEPTEMBER 29, 2014 - NOVEMBER 21, 2014

MAMIE ETHEL BURTON LIBRARY

LIBRARY HOURS:

MONDAY - THURSDAY 7:30 A.M. TO 9:00 P.M.

FRIDAY 7:30 A.M. TO 3:00 P.M.

SUNDAY 6:00 TO 8:30 P.M.

This exhibit is on loan from the Museum of Mississippi History, through the Mississippi Department of Archives and History Traveling Exhibits Program.



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ECCC to Host Medgar Evers Exhibit (<http://www.eccc.edu/news-stories/eccc-to-host-medgar-evers-exhibit>)

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East Central Community College will serve as a host site for the Medgar Evers exhibit, This is Home, which will be on display Monday, September 29 through Friday, November 21, 2014, in the newly modernized Burton Memorial Library on the Decatur campus.

An opening reception for the exhibit is scheduled from 3 to 5 p.m. Monday, Sept. 29 in Burton Library. Refreshments will be provided by the college's Culinary Arts Technology students. Barry Karrh serves as instructor.

ECCC President Dr. Billy Stewart and the Board of Trustees invite the public to attend the opening reception and view the exhibit as often as possible.

"Our institution made a commitment to Community Partnerships in its strategic plan, 2020 Vision. An action within this commitment includes exploring and offering unique cultural events and activities to enhance the quality of community life. Please join us for this very important occasion as we celebrate the fulfillment of another action plan of the college's 2020 Vision," said Dr. Stewart.

"This is Home" details the life of one of Mississippi's most prominent Civil Rights activists, Medgar Wiley Evers.

A native of Decatur and World War II veteran, Evers was hired by the NAACP in 1954 as a field secretary. In that role, he crisscrossed the state, logging thousands of miles as he investigated cases of racial violence and intimidation, organized local NAACP branch offices, and registered voters. Evers also worked closely with regional and national NAACP offices and other civil rights organizations. His reports to the national office, speaking tours, and media interviews helped focus national attention upon the intense social and political issues plaguing the state, raising the profile of Mississippi's Civil Rights Movement.

The night of June 12, 1964, after returning home from a community meeting, Evers was shot and killed in his Jackson driveway. He had known his life was at risk, but even at the end, facing entrenched opposition and grave danger, Evers never relented in his fight for justice, a legacy that has lived on today. "This is Home" celebrates the life, legacy and accomplishments of Evers upon the fiftieth anniversary of his death.

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For more information about this exhibit or the traveling exhibits program, contact the Department of Archives and History at 601-576-6997.

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Evers Exhibit Opens at ECCC (<http://www.eccc.edu/news-stories/evers-exhibit-opens-at-eccc>)

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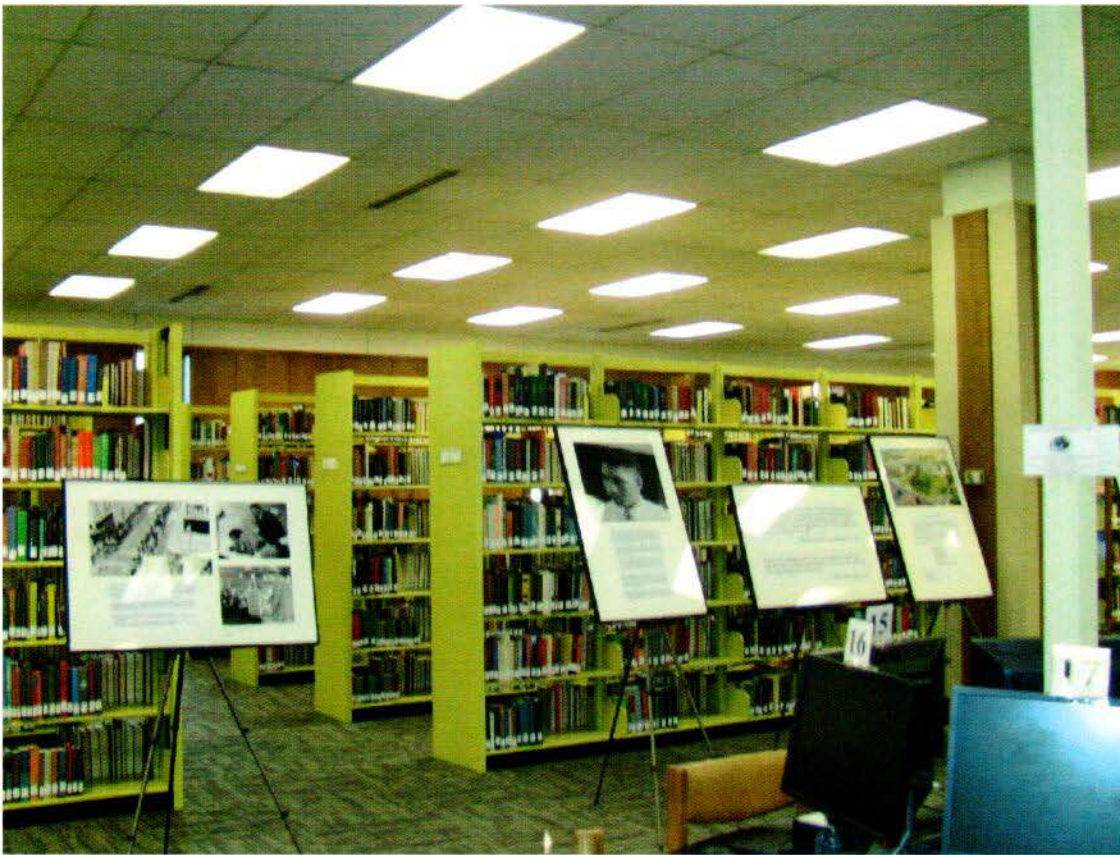
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